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## **MEMORANDUM**

TO:

Senator Marc Basnight

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Senator Ellie Kinnaird

Representative Joe L. Kiser Senator John J. Snow, Jr.

FROM:

Tracy A. Kittle (MS)
Tracy A. Little, Deputy Secretary

DATE:

September 11, 2006

SUBJECT:

Report on the Need to Use Funds to Provide State Match for PREA Grant

Section 16.9 of S.L. 2006-66 (Senate Bill 1741) requires the Department of Correction to report to the Chairs of the Senate and House of Representatives Appropriations Subcommittees on Justice and Public Safety and the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations prior to using funds to provide the State match needed to receive federal grant funds.

Pursuant to section 16.9, the Department reports the need to expend \$475,024 to provide the State match for a Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA) grant. The PREA grant is a two-year grant from the U.S. Department of Justice in the amount of \$1,118,046, of which \$475,024 represents the State cash match and \$84,000 represents an in-kind contribution.

PREA's goals are to eliminate sexual assaults and sexual misconduct by improving the Department's prevention practices. The award will allow the Department to hire additional staff, expand training and partnership with stakeholders, improve prosecution procedures and enhance victim services and counseling by adding an inmate sexual assault component.

Staff from the Department of Correction will be present to explain this request.

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Request to Establish Four Time-Limited Receipt-Supported Positions

Pursuant to G.S. 143-34.1, the Department of Correction is requesting consultation with the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations to request approval to establish four time-limited receipt-supported positions for the Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA). This program is funded by a two-year grant from the U.S. Department of Justice, together with the required State cash match and in-kind contribution.

The PREA funds will be used to fund four positions, training activities and surveillance equipment that will aid in investigations. The project's goals are to eliminate sexual assaults and sexual misconduct by improving the Department's prevention practices, expanding training and partnership with stakeholders, improving prosecution procedures and expanding victim services and counseling by adding an inmate sexual assault component. The U.S. Department of Justice has approved four positions to be funded through the PREA grant funds: Correctional Program Director III (one position); Correctional Clerk Typist II (one position); and Correctional Program Director I (two positions).

The Department of Correction requests that this item be placed on the agenda of the next meeting of the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations. Staff from the Department of Correction will be present to explain this request.

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